

House Resolution 34 - Introduced

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1 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. ____
1 2 BY WATTS, PAULSEN, WINDSCHITL, ALONS, DEYOE,
1 3 MAY, BAUDLER, KAUFMANN, TJEPKES, QUIRK,
1 4 HUSEMAN, KELLEY, DRAKE, TYMESON, SCHULTE,
1 5 PETTENGILL, SORENSON, HAGENOW, GRASSLEY,
1 6 COWNIE, HELLAND, DE BOEF, FORRISTALL, and MERTZ
1 7 A Resolution declaring that all laws, rules, policies,
1 8 procedures, and regulations relating to the regulation
1 9 and production of electric energy in this state should
1 10 remain under the exclusive jurisdiction, control, and
1 11 authority of this state.
1 12 WHEREAS, electric energy generation is receiving
1 13 heightened emphasis, priority, and scrutiny in an era
1 14 of rising fuel costs, economic uncertainty, and
1 15 increasingly scarce resources; and
1 16 WHEREAS, this state has enacted laws, promulgated
1 17 rules, and developed policies, procedures, and
1 18 regulations recognizing the significance and
1 19 importance of electric energy production and
1 20 regulation to the citizens of this state; and
1 21 WHEREAS, these laws, rules, policies, procedures,
1 22 and regulations have established a regulatory
1 23 framework and incentive structure designed to ensure
1 24 the continued generation of electric energy at
1 25 reasonable rates from a variety of sources, including
1 26 alternate and renewable energy, to meet the needs of
1 27 the citizens of this state; and
1 28 WHEREAS, the general assembly and state agencies,
1 29 divisions, and departments are well-qualified and in
1 30 the best position to assess the electric energy needs
2 1 of the citizens of this state and determine the
2 2 resources available to meet those needs and the degree
2 3 of regulation required to ensure that those needs are
2 4 met on an equitable and adequate basis; and
2 5 WHEREAS, electric energy regulation and policy
2 6 determination at the global, federal, and regional
2 7 level may nullify or contradict electric energy
2 8 regulatory policy in place within this state and
2 9 reflects interests, concerns, and motivations which
2 10 are contrary to the best interests of the citizens of
2 11 this state; NOW THEREFORE,
2 12 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
2 13 That the House of Representatives declares that all
2 14 laws, rules, policies, procedures, and regulations
2 15 relating to the regulation and production of electric
2 16 energy in this state should remain under the exclusive
2 17 jurisdiction, control, and authority of this state;
2 18 and
2 19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an official copy of
2 20 this Resolution be prepared and forwarded by the Chief
2 21 Clerk of the House of Representatives to the members
2 22 of Iowa's congressional delegation.
2 23 LSB 2480HH 83
2 24 rn/nh/14